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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 April 2011.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4, 6-25 and 27-42 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4, 6-25 and 27-42 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Remarks

1. In response to communications filed on April 8, 2011, claims 5 and 26 are cancelled; claims 1, 6-7, 9, 12-16, 18-20, 22, 25, 27-30, 32, 387, 39, and 41-42 have been amended, and no new claims have been added. Therefore, claims 1-5, 7-25, and 27-42 are still presently pending in the application.

Information Disclosure Statement

2. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 4/8/2011 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 1 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Headings et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0143782), in view of Fenton et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,910,049).

As to claim 1, Headings et al. teaches a system for management and publication of media assets in a distributed network (***See abstract; paragraph 0006***), the system including:

a central media database for storing and serving the media assets and media programs for publication of the media assets, (***See abstract; paragraphs 0009; 0027-0028; 0047***);

one or more output platforms including a dynamic display engine networked to the central media database (***See abstract; paragraphs 0006-0009; 0027-0028; 0047***);

one or more media output devices networked to the one or more output platforms, each output platform storing a local copy of a subset of the media assets and a subset of the media programs, and the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices (***See abstract; paragraphs 0009; 0027-0028; 0047, wherein “package” is read on “subset”***).

Headings et al. teaches management of media asset distribution and displaying however, Headings et al. does not explicitly teach the media programs including at least one media layout template, a hierarchical navigational structure and associated media assets for publication of the media assets; the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices, according to one or more media layout templates and hierarchical navigational structures included in a media program.

Fenton et al. teaches a system and process for managing media content (**See abstract**), in which he teaches media programs including at least one media layout template (**See column 5, lines 20-32, lines 51-67; column 6, lines 1-34, wherein the "showcase page is read on "layout template"**), a hierarchical navigational structure (**See column 4, lines 30-44; column 8, lines 15-26; column 12, lines 6-21**) and associated media assets for publication of the media assets (**See column 3, lines 53-65; column 5, lines 51-67; column 6, lines 1-34**); the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices, according to one or more media layout templates and hierarchical navigational structures included in a media program (**See column 3, lines 45-65; column 4, lines 30-44; column 5, lines 20-32, lines 51-67; column 6, lines 1-34; column 8, lines 15-26; column 12, lines 6-21**).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to have modified Headings et al., to include the media programs including at least one media layout template, a hierarchical navigational structure and associated media assets for publication of the media assets; the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices, according to one or more media layout templates and hierarchical navigational structures included in a media program.

It would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Headings et al., by the teachings of Fenton et al. because the media programs including at least one media layout template, a

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hierarchical navigational structure and associated media assets for publication of the media assets; the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices, according to one or more media layout templates and hierarchical navigational structures included in a media program would provide a content management system and process which provides an efficient and rapid generation of web pages and other website elements with a minimum of programming complexity (***See Fenton et al., column 1, lines 61-66***).

As to claim 22, Headings et al. teaches a method for management and publication of media assets in a distributed network (***See abstract; paragraph 0006***), the method including the steps of:

(a) storing and serving the media assets and media programs for publication of the media assets in a central media database (***See abstract; paragraphs 0009; 0027-0028; 0047***);

(b) at one or more output platforms networked to the central media database, storing a local copy of a subset of the media assets and a subset of the media programs (***See abstract; paragraphs 0006-0009; 0027-0028; 0047***); and

(c) selectively executing the subset of media programs to publish the subset of media assets at one or more media output devices networked to the one or more output platforms (***See abstract; paragraphs 0009; 0027-0028; 0047, wherein “package” is read on “subset”***).

Headings et al. teaches management of media asset distribution and displaying however, Headings et al. does not explicitly teach the media programs including at least one media layout template, a hierarchical navigational structure and associated media assets for publication of the media assets; the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices, according to one or more media layout templates and hierarchical navigational structures included in a media program.

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Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to have modified Headings et al., to include the media programs including at least one media layout template, a hierarchical

navigational structure and associated media assets for publication of the media assets; the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices, according to one or more media layout templates and hierarchical navigational structures included in a media program.

It would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Headings et al., by the teachings of Fenton et al. because the media programs including at least one media layout template, a hierarchical navigational structure and associated media assets for publication of the media assets; the dynamic display engine selectively publishing the subset of media assets at the one or more media output devices, according to one or more media layout templates and hierarchical navigational structures included in a media program would provide a content management system and process which provides an efficient and rapid generation of web pages and other website elements with a minimum of programming complexity (***See Fenton et al., column 1, lines 61-66.***

5. Claims 2-5, 8, 10-17, 20, 23-26, 29, 31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Headings et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0143782), in view of Fenton et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,910,049). in further view of Copley et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0061305).

As to claims 2, and 23, Headings et al. does not explicitly teach wherein the central media database includes a content manager for uploading the media assets;

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wherein the central media database includes a content manager, the method further including the step of uploading the media assets to the central media database.

Copley et al. teaches a system and method for enhancing streaming media delivery and reporting (See abstract), in which he teaches wherein the central media database includes a content manager for uploading the media assets (***See paragraphs 0043; 0053; 0147, wherein “asset manager server” is read on “content manager”***); wherein the central media database includes a content manager, the method further including the step of uploading the media assets to the central media database (***See paragraphs 0043; 0053; 0147, wherein “asset manager server” is read on “content manager”***).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to have modified Headings et al., to include wherein the central media database includes a content manager for uploading the media assets; wherein the central media database includes a content manager, the method further including the step of uploading the media assets to the central media database.

It would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Headings et al., by the teachings of Copley et al. because wherein the central media database includes a content manager for uploading the media assets; wherein the central media database includes a content manager, the method further including the step of uploading the media assets to the central media database would provide a lower development costs and faster marketing

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time by providing media asset management and distribution systems that make it easier for customers, or distributors to transfer and publish content (***See Copley et al., paragraph 0018).***

As to claims 3, and 24, Headings et al. as modified, teaches wherein the content manager enables searching and selection of the subset of media assets and the subset of media programs, and the assignment of the subset of media assets and the subset of media programs to the one or more output platforms (***See Headings et al., abstract; paragraphs 0009; 0027-0028; 0047, wherein “package” is read on “subset”; also see Copley et al., paragraphs 0043; 0053; 0147, wherein “asset manager server” is read on “content manager”***); enabling searching and selection of the subset of media assets and the subset of media programs from the central media database; and assigning the subset of media assets and the subset of media programs to the one or more output platforms from the content manager (***See Headings et al., abstract; paragraphs 0009; 0027-0028; 0047, wherein “package” is read on “subset”; also see Copley et al., paragraphs 0043; 0053; 0147, wherein “asset manager server” is read on “content manager”***).

As to claims 4, and 25, Headings et al. as modified, teaches the content manager is accessible from a browser-baser user interface (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0022; 0027; 0042-0043; 0053; 0147, wherein “asset manager server” is read on “content manager”***); accessing the content manager from a browser-based user

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interface (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0022; 0027; 0042-0043; 0053; 0147, wherein “asset manager server” is read on “content manager”***).

As to claims 5, and 26, Headings et al. as modified, teaches each of the one or more output platforms includes a dynamic display engine for delivery of media output, derived from the subset of media assets and execution of the subset of media programs, to the one or more media output devices (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0055; 0058; also see Copley et al., paragraphs 0027-0029***); each of the one or more output platforms includes a dynamic display engine, the method further including the step of delivering media output, derived from the subset of media assets and execution of the subset of media programs, to the one or more media output devices from the dynamic display engine (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0055; 0058; also see Copley et al., paragraphs 0027-0029***).

As to claims 8, and 29, Headings et al. as modified, teaches wherein the output platform manager includes a multiformat subcomponent for producing reformatted versions of the media assets for simultaneous, parallel publication at the media output devices (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0017-0018; 0034-0037***); producing reformatted versions of the media assets for simultaneous, parallel publication at the media output devices (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0017-0018; 0034-0037***).

As to claims 10, and 31, Headings et al. as modified, teaches wherein at least one of the one or more output platforms is a local output platform connected to the central media database from a local installation site (***See Headings et al., abstract; paragraphs 0008; 0028; 0041; 0051***); wherein at least one of the one or more output platforms is a local output platform connected to the central media database from a local installation site (***See Headings et al., abstract; paragraphs 0008; 0028; 0041; 0051***).

As to claims 11, and 32, Headings et al. as modified, teaches wherein at least one of the one or more output platforms is a remote output platform connected to the central media database from a remote installation site (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0002-0003; 0021; 0145***); wherein at least one of the one or more output platforms is a remote output platform connected to the central media database from a remote installation site (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0002-0003; 0021; 0145***).

As to claims 12, and 33, Headings et al. as modified, teaches wherein the central media database further includes a media asset replicator for sharing stored media assets and/or media programs with a further media asset management and publication system (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0053-0059; also see Copley et al., paragraph 0041***); wherein the central media database further includes a media asset replicator, the method further including the step of the media asset replicator, sharing stored media assets and/or media programs with a further media asset management

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and publication system (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0053-0059; also see Copley et al., paragraph 0041***).

As to claims 13, and 34, Headings et al. as modified, teaches an external media asset manager connected to the distributed network for providing remote access to the stored media assets (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0002-0003; 0021; 0145***); providing remote access to the stored media assets from an external media content manager connected to the distributed network (***See Copley et al., paragraphs 0002-0003; 0021; 0145***).

As to claims 14, and 35, Headings et al. as modified, teaches one or more distributed terminals connected to the distributed network for providing local access to the stored media assets (***See Headings et al., abstract; paragraphs 0008; 0028; 0041; 0051***); providing local access to the stored media assets from one or more distributed terminals connected to the distributed network (***See Headings et al., abstract; paragraphs 0008; 0028; 0041; 0051***).

As to claims 15, and 36, Headings et al. as modified, teaches a web server connected to the distributed network for providing web-based access to the stored media assets (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0002; 0006; 0027-0028***); providing web-based access to the stored media assets from a web server (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0002; 0006; 0027-0028***).

As to claim 16, and 37, Headings et al. as modified, teaches including a web media extension module, accessible via the web server, for maintaining extended media information about the stored media assets (***See Headings et al., paragraph 0043, wherein “file extension” is read on “extension module”***); maintaining extended media information about the stored media assets accessible via the web server from a web media extension module (***See Headings et al., paragraph 0043, wherein “file extension” is read on “extended media information”***).

As to claims 17, and 38, Headings et al. as modified, teaches the media assets include any one or more of image, text, video and audio content (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0002; 0007; 0027; 0032***); the media assets include any one or more of image, text, video and audio content (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0002; 0007; 0027; 0032***).

As to claims 20, and 41, Headings et al. teaches user input devices connected to the distributed network to enable user interaction with the published media (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0018; 0028-0029; 0035, wherein “graphical user interface” enables a user to interact with the published media***); enable user interaction with the published media from user input devices (***See Headings et al., paragraphs 0018; 0028-0029; 0035, wherein “graphical user interface” enables a user to interact with the published media***).

6. Claims 6-7, 9, 21, 27-28, 30 and 42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Headings et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0143782), in view of Fenton et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,910,049), in further view of Copley et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0061305), in further view of Kane (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0156702) {As disclosed on the IDS filed 3/24/2006}.

As to claims 6, and 27, Headings et al. as modified, still does not explicitly teach a central media database further includes an output platform update server for determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform, and, when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms; wherein the central media database further includes an output platform update server, the method further include the steps of: at the output platform update server, determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform; and when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms.

Kane teaches a system and method for producing, publishing, managing and interacting with E-Commerce on multiple platforms (See abstract), in which he teaches central media database further includes an output platform update server for determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have

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changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform, and, when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms (***See paragraphs 0004; 0013; 0022; 0039***); wherein the central media database further includes an output platform update server, the method further include the steps of: at the output platform update server, determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform; and when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms (***See paragraphs 0004; 0013; 0022; 0039***).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to have modified Headings et al. as modified, to include a central media database further includes an output platform update server for determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform, and, when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms; wherein the central media database further includes an output platform update server, the method further include the steps of: at the output platform update server, determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform; and when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms.

It would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Headings et al. as modified, by the teachings of Kane because to include a central media database further includes an output platform update server for determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform, and, when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms; wherein the central media database further includes an output platform update server, the method further include the steps of: at the output platform update server, determining if the stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs have changed when compared to the local copy stored on each output platform; and when a change is detected, serving updated media assets and media programs to the one or more output platforms would provide a content management system that would reduce the inefficiencies in managing mirror sites (***See Kane, paragraph 0014***).

As to claims 7, and 28, Headings et al. as modified, teaches wherein each of the one or more output platforms further includes an output platform manager for initiating a request with the output platform update server to update the locally stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs (***See Kane, paragraphs 0004; 0013; 0022; 0039***); wherein each of the one or more output platforms further includes an output platform manager, the method further including the step of at the output platform manager, initiating a request with the output platform update server to update the locally

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stored subset of the media assets and/or media programs (***See Kane, paragraphs 0004; 0013; 0022; 0039***).

As to claims 9, and 30, Headings et al. as modified, teaches wherein the central media database and the one or more output platforms both include a file synchronization manager for effecting the serving of media assets and/or media programs between the central media database and the one or more output platforms (***See Kane, paragraphs 0013-0014; 0242***); wherein the central media database and the one or more output platforms both include a file synchronization manager, the method further including the step of effecting the serving of media assets and/or media programs between the central media database and the one or more output platforms from the file synchronization managers (***See Kane, paragraphs 0013-0014; 0242***).

As to claims 21, and 42, Headings et al. teaches the user input devices include any one or more of a smart card, touch screen display, handheld computing device, mobile phone and Braille touch pad (***See Kane, paragraphs 0005; 0115-0116, wherein “PDA” and “cellular telephone” are read on “handheld computing device” and “mobile phone”***); the user input devices include any one or more of a smart card, touch screen display, handheld computing device, mobile phone and Braille touch pad (***See Kane, paragraphs 0005; 0115-0116, wherein “PDA” and “cellular telephone” are read on “handheld computing device” and “mobile phone”***).

7. Claims 18-19, and 39-40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Headings et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0143782), in view of Fenton et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,910,049), in further view of Copley et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0061305), in further view of Devine et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,944,662).

As to claims 18, and 39, Headings et al. as modified, still does not explicitly teach automatic Sensing devices connected to the distributed network for automated triggering of media publication at the media output devices; automatically triggering media publication at the media output devices from automatic sensing devices connected to the distributed network.

Devine et al. teaches a system and methods providing automatic distributed data retrieval, analysis and reporting services (See abstract), in which he teaches automatic Sensing devices connected to the distributed network for automated triggering of media publication at the media output devices (***See column 8, lines 59-65***); automatically triggering media publication at the media output devices from automatic sensing devices connected to the distributed network (***See column 8, lines 59-65***).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to have modified Headings et al. as modified, to include automatic Sensing devices connected to the distributed network for automated triggering of media publication at the media output devices; automatically triggering media publication at the media output devices from automatic sensing devices connected to the distributed network.

It would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Headings et al. as modified, by the teachings of Devine et al. because to include automatic Sensing devices connected to the distributed network for automated triggering of media publication at the media output devices; automatically triggering media publication at the media output devices from automatic sensing devices connected to the distributed network would provide a system and methods that give organizations and users the capability to realize an efficient and cost-effective implementation of data retrieval, analysis and reporting services (***See Devine et al., column 5, lines 26-29).***

As to claims 19, and 40, Headings et al. as modified, teaches the automatic sensing devices include any one or more of a motion sensor and pressure pad (***See Devine et al. column 8, lines 59-65).***

Response to Arguments

8. Applicant's arguments filed on 4/8/2011, with respect to the rejected claims in view of the cited references have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

9. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP

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§ 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MELLISSA M. CHOJNACKI whose telephone number is (571)272-4076. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00am-5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles Rones can be reached on (571) 272-4085. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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